

May 18, 1972

MEMORANDUM

TO: Boston Redevelopment Authority
FROM: Robert T. Kenney
SUBJECT: Formal Affirmative Action Program -
Amendment No. 16 to Personnel Policy

Attachment I, Federal Register, December 4, 1971, Volume 36, Number 234, amends Chapter 60 of Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations and provides the latest regulations and guidelines concerning Affirmative Action Programs required by these agencies having contracts of any type with the Federal government.

It is essential that the Authority, holding loan and grant contracts with HUD, institute such measures as are necessary to assure complete compliance with this attachment and make formal our Affirmative Action Program. To the present time we have had an Affirmative Action Program in an informal sense with matters handled on a continuing basis with goals analogous to Attachment I.

The salient points of the first attachment include the following key requirements:

1. A detailed analysis of all major job classifications at the facility, with explanation if the minorities or women are currently being underutilized in any one or more job classifications.
2. Goals and timetables for affirmative action commitments must be established to correct any identifiable deficiencies.
3. Such goals and timetables with supporting data and the analyses must be compiled and maintained as part of the written affirmative action program.
4. Contractors must direct special attention in their analyses and goal setting to specific categories of employees.
5. These programs must contain, among other things:
 - (a) Identification of problem areas (deficiencies) by organizational units and job classification;
 - (b) Establishment of goals and objectives by organizational units and job classification, including timetables for completion;
 - (c) Development and execution of action-oriented programs designed to eliminate problems and further designed to attain established goals and objectives.

6. Concluding, it is the intent, expressed throughout the attachment, that formal Affirmative Action Programs will be applied to abolish minority and sex discrimination in employment, wherever it may exist.

It is proposed that the Authority formalize its Affirmative Action Program by designating the Compliance Officer and Assistant Personnel Officer as the Manager of Equal Opportunity Programs in addition to his regular assigned duties, since the major thrust of his activity also lies in the areas covered by Attachment I. The existing staff within the Personnel Division is adequate to handle the large workload this program will entail.

At a later date I will propose to the Authority an Affirmative Action Advisory Council, which will have adequate sex and minority representation, of sufficient seniority, to be helpful to the Equal Opportunity Officer. The Council members can assist in review of alleged grievances and also report to me on various phases of the program that the Council feels needs emphasis.

Attachment II is a proposed Position Classification Description for the Equal Opportunity Officer to comply with Section 60-2.22 of Attachment I.

This personnel action will be given wide distribution to supervisors and salaried employees to alert them to their responsibilities in the affirmative action area.

An appropriate vote to implement this formal Affirmative Action Program is attached.

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Title 41—PUBLIC CONTRACTS AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Chapter 60—Office of Federal Contract Compliance, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor

PART 60-2—AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAMS

On August 31, 1971, notice of proposed rule making was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER (36 F.R. 17444) with regard to amending Chapter 60 of Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations by adding a new Part 60-2, dealing with affirmative action programs. Interested persons were given 30 days in which to submit written comments, suggestions, or objections regarding the proposed amendments.

Having considered all relevant material submitted, I have decided to, and do hereby amend Chapter 60 of Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations by adding a new Part 60-2, reading as follows:

Subpart A—General

Sec. 60-2.1 Title, purpose and scope.

60-2.2 Agency Action.

Subpart B—Required Contents of Affirmative Action Programs

- 60-2.10 Purpose of affirmative action program.
- 60-2.11 Required utilization analysis.
- 60-2.12 Establishment of goals and timetables.
- 60-2.13 Additional required ingredients of affirmative action programs.
- 60-2.14 Compliance status.

Subpart C—Methods of Implementing the Requirements of Subpart B

- 60-2.20 Development or reaffirmation of the equal employment opportunity policy.
- 60-2.21 Dissemination of the policy.
- 60-2.22 Responsibility for implementation.
- 60-2.23 Identification of problem areas by organization unit and job classification.
- 60-2.24 Development and execution of programs.
- 60-2.25 Internal audit and reporting systems.
- 60-2.26 Support of action programs.

Subpart D—Miscellaneous

- 60-2.30 Use of goals.
- 60-2.31 Preemption.
- 60-2.32 Supercedure.

AUTHORITY: The provisions of this Part 60-2 issued pursuant to sec. 201, Executive Order 11246 (30 F.R. 12319).

Subpart A—General

§ 60-2.1 Title, purpose and scope.

This part shall also be known as "Revised Order No. 4," and shall cover non-construction contractors. Section 60-1.40 of this Chapter, Affirmative Action Compliance Programs, requires that within 120 days from the commencement of a contract each prime contractor or subcontractor with 50 or more employees and a contract of \$50,000 or more develop a written affirmative action compliance program for each of its establishments, and such contractors are now further required to revise existing written affirmative action programs to include the changes embodied in this order within 120 days of its publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER. A review of agency compliance surveys indicates that many contractors do not have affirmative action programs on file at the time an establishment is visited by a compliance investigator. This part details the agency review procedure and the results of a contractor's failure to develop and maintain an affirmative action program and then set forth detailed guidelines to be used by contractors and Government agencies in developing and judging these

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(6) Meet with union officials to inform them of policy, and request their cooperation.

(7) Include nondiscrimination clauses in all union agreements, and review all contractual provisions to ensure they are nondiscriminatory.

(8) Publish articles covering EEO programs, progress reports, promotions, etc., of minority and female employees, in company publications.

(9) Post the policy on company bulletin boards.

(10) When employees are featured in product or consumer advertising, employee handbooks or similar publications both minority and nonminority, men and women should be pictured.

(11) Communicate to employees the existence of the contractor's affirmative action program and make available such elements of his program as will enable such employees to know of and avail themselves of its benefits.

(b) The contractor should disseminate his policy externally as follows:

(1) Inform all recruiting sources verbally and in writing of company policy, stipulating that these sources actively recruit and refer minorities and women for all positions listed.

(2) Incorporate the Equal Opportunity clause in all purchase orders, leases, contracts, etc., covered by Executive Order 11246, as amended, and its implementing regulations.

(3) Notify minority and women's organizations, community agencies, community leaders, secondary schools and colleges, of company policy, preferably in writing.

(4) Communicate to prospective employees the existence of the contractor's affirmative action program and make available such elements of his program as will enable such prospective employees to know of and avail themselves of its benefits.

(5) When employees are pictured in consumer or help wanted advertising, both minorities and nonminority men and women should be shown.

(6) Send written notification of company policy to all subcontractors, vendors and suppliers requesting appropriate action on their part.

§ 60-2.22 Responsibility for implementation.

(a) An executive of the contractor should be appointed as director or manager of company Equal Opportunity Programs. Depending upon the size and geographical alignment of the company, this may be his or her sole responsibility. He or she should be given the necessary top management support and staffing to execute the assignment. His or her identity should appear on all internal and external communications on the company's Equal Opportunity Programs. His or her responsibilities should include, but not necessarily be limited to:

(1) Developing policy statements, affirmative action programs, internal and external communication techniques.

(2) Assisting in the identification of problem areas.

(3) Assisting line management in arriving at solutions to problems.

(4) Designing and implementing audit and reporting systems that will:

(i) Measure effectiveness of the contractor's programs.

(ii) Indicate need for remedial action.

(iii) Determine the degree to which the contractor's goals and objectives have been attained.

(5) Serve as liaison between the contractor and enforcement agencies.

(6) Serve as liaison between the contractor and minority organizations, women's organizations and community action groups concerned with employment opportunities of minorities and women.

(7) Keep management informed of latest developments in the entire equal opportunity area.

(b) Line responsibilities should include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) Assistance in the identification of problem areas and establishment of local and unit goals and objectives.

(2) Active involvement with local minority organizations, women's organizations, community action groups and community service programs.

(3) Periodic audit of training programs, hiring and promotion patterns to remove impediments to the attainment of goals and objectives.

(4) Regular discussions with local managers, supervisors and employees to be certain the contractor's policies are being followed.

(5) Review of the qualifications of all employees to insure that minorities and women are given full opportunities for transfers and promotions.

(6) Career counseling for all employees.

(7) Periodic audit to insure that each location is in compliance in area such as:

(i) Posters are properly displayed.

(ii) All facilities, including company housing, which the contractor maintains for the use and benefit of his employees, are in fact desegregated, both in policy and use. If the contractor provides facilities such as dormitories, locker rooms and rest rooms, they must be comparable for both sexes.

(iii) Minority and female employees are afforded a full opportunity and are encouraged to participate in all company sponsored educational, training, recreational and social activities.

(8) Supervisors should be made to understand that their work performance is being evaluated on the basis of their equal employment opportunity efforts and results, as well as other criteria.

(9) It shall be a responsibility of supervisors to take actions to prevent harassment of employees placed through affirmative action efforts.

§ 60-2.23 Identification of problem areas by organizational units and job classifications.

(a) An in-depth analysis of the following should be made, paying particular attention to trainees and those categories listed in § 60-2.11(d).

(1) Composition of the work force by minority group status and sex.

(2) Composition of applicant flow by minority group status and sex.

(3) The total selection process including position descriptions, position titles, worker specifications, application forms, interview procedures, test administration, test validity, referral procedures, final selection process, and similar factors.

(4) Transfer and promotion practices.

(5) Facilities, company sponsored recreation and social events, and special programs such as educational assistance.

(6) Seniority practices and seniority provisions of union contracts.

(7) Apprenticeship programs.

(8) All company training programs, formal and informal.

(9) Work force attitude.

(10) Technical phases of compliance, such as poster and notification to labor unions, retention of applications; notification to subcontractors, etc.

(b) If any of the following items are found in the analysis, special corrective action should be appropriate.

(1) An "underutilization" of minorities or women in specific work classifications.

(2) Lateral and/or vertical movement of minority or female employees occurring at a lesser rate (compared to work force mix) than that of nonminority or male employees.

(3) The selection process eliminates a significantly higher percentage of minorities or women than nonminorities or men.

(4) Application and related preemployment forms not in compliance with Federal legislation.

(5) Position descriptions inaccurate in relation to actual functions and duties.

(6) Tests and other selection techniques not validated as required by the OFCC Order on Employee Testing and other Selection Procedures.

(7) Test forms not validated by location, work performance and inclusion of minorities and women in sample.

(8) Referral ratio of minorities or women to the hiring supervisor or manager indicates a significantly higher percentage are being rejected as compared to nonminority and male applicants.

(9) Minorities or women are excluded from or are not participating in company sponsored activities or programs.

(10) De facto segregation still exists at some facilities.

(11) Seniority provisions contribute to overt or inadvertent discrimination, i.e., a disparity by minority group status or sex exists between length of service and types of job held.

(12) Nonsupport of company policy by managers, supervisors or employees.

(13) Minorities or women underutilized or significantly underrepresented in training or career improvement programs.

(14) No formal techniques established for evaluating effectiveness of EEC programs.

(15) Lack of access to suitable housing inhibits recruitment efforts and employment of qualified minorities.

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(16) Lack of suitable transportation (public or private) to the work place inhibits minority employment.

(17) Labor unions and subcontractors not notified of their responsibilities.

(18) Purchase orders do not contain EEO clause.

(19) Posters not on display.

§ 60-2.24 Development and execution of programs.

(a) The contractor should conduct detailed analyses of position descriptions to insure that they accurately reflect position functions, and are consistent for the same position from one location to another.

(b) The contractor should validate worker specifications by division, department, location or other organizational unit and by job category using job performance criteria. Special attention should be given to academic, experience and skill requirements to insure that the requirements in themselves do not constitute inadvertent discrimination. Specifications should be consistent for the same job classification in all locations and should be free from bias as regards to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, except where sex is a bona fide occupational qualification. Where requirements screen out a disproportionate number of minorities or women such requirements should be professionally validated to job performance.

(c) Approved position descriptions and worker specifications, when used by the contractor, should be made available to all members of management involved in the recruiting, screening, selection, and promotion process. Copies should also be distributed to all recruiting sources.

(d) The contractor should evaluate the total selection process to insure freedom from bias and, thus, aid the attainment of goals and objectives.

(1) All personnel involved in the recruiting, screening, selection, promotion, disciplinary, and related processes should be carefully selected and trained to insure elimination of bias in all personnel actions.

(2) The contractor shall observe the requirements of the OFCC Order pertaining to the validation of employee tests and other selection procedures.

(3) Selection techniques other than tests may also be improperly used so as to have the effect of discriminating against minority groups and women. Such techniques include but are not restricted to, unscored interviews, unscored or casual application forms, arrest records, credit checks, considerations of marital status or dependency or minor children. Where there exist data suggesting that such unfair discrimination or exclusion of minorities or women exists, the contractor should analyze his unscored procedures and eliminate them if they are not objectively valid.

(e) Suggested techniques to improve recruitment and increase the flow of minority or female applicants follow:

(1) Certain organizations such as the Urban League, Job Corps, Equal Opportunity Programs, Inc., Concentrated Em-

ployment Programs, Neighborhood Youth Corps, Secondary Schools, Colleges, and City Colleges with high minority enrollment, the State Employment Service, specialized employment agencies, Aspira, LULAC, SER, the G.I. Forum, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico are normally prepared to refer minority applicants. Organizations prepared to refer women with specific skills are: National Organization for Women, Welfare Rights Organizations, Women's Equity Action League, Talent Bank from Business and Professional Women (including 26 women's organizations), Professional Women's Caucus, Intercollegiate Association of University Women, Negro Women's sororities and service groups such as Delta Sigma Theta, Alpha Kappa Alpha, and Zeta Phi Beta; National Council of Negro Women, American Association of University Women, YWCA, and sectarian groups such as Jewish Women's Groups, Catholic Women's Groups and Protestant Women's Groups, and women's colleges. In addition, community leaders as individuals shall be added to recruiting sources.

(2) Formal briefing sessions should be held, preferably on company premises, with representatives from these recruiting sources. Plant tours, presentations by minority and female employees, clear and concise explanations of current and future job openings, position descriptions, worker specifications, explanations of the company's selection process, and recruiting literature should be an integral part of the briefings. Formal arrangements should be made for referral of applicants, followup with sources, and feedback on disposition of applicants.

(3) Minority and female employees, using procedures similar to subparagraph (2) of this paragraph, should be actively encouraged to refer applicants.

(4) A special effort should be made to include minorities and women on the Personnel Relations staff.

(5) Minority and female employees should be made available for participation in Career Days, Youth Motivation Programs, and related activities in their communities.

(6) Active participation in "Job Fairs" is desirable. Company representatives so participating should be given authority to make on-the-spot commitments.

(7) Active recruiting programs should be carried out at secondary schools, junior colleges, and colleges with predominant minority or female enrollments.

(8) Recruiting efforts at all schools should incorporate special efforts to reach minorities and women.

(9) Special employment programs should be undertaken whenever possible. Some possible programs are:

(i) Technical and nontechnical co-op programs with predominantly Negro and women's colleges.

(ii) "After school" and/or work-study jobs for minority youths, male and females.

(iii) Summer jobs for underprivileged youth, male and female.

(iv) Summer work-study programs for male and female faculty members of the predominantly minority schools and colleges.

(v) Motivation, training and employment programs for the hard-core unemployed, male and female.

(10) When recruiting brochures pictorially present work situations, the minority and female members of the work force should be included, especially when such brochures are used in school and career programs.

(11) Help wanted advertising should be expanded to include the minority news media and women's interest media on a regular basis.

(f) The contractor should insure that minority and female employees are given equal opportunity for promotion. Suggestions for achieving this result include:

(1) Post or otherwise announce promotional opportunities.

(2) Make an inventory of current minority and female employees to determine academic, skill and experience level of individual employees.

(3) Initiate necessary remedial, job training and workstudy programs.

(4) Develop and implement formal employee evaluation programs.

(5) Make certain "worker specifications" have been validated on job performance related criteria. (Neither minority nor female employees should be required to possess higher qualifications than those of the lowest qualified incumbent.)

(6) When apparently qualified minority or female employees are passed over for upgrading, require supervisory personnel to submit written justification.

(7) Establish formal career counseling programs to include attitude development, education aid, job rotation, buddy system and similar programs.

(8) Review seniority practices and seniority clauses in union contracts to insure such practices or clauses are non-discriminatory and do not have a discriminatory effect.

(g) Make certain facilities and company-sponsored social and recreation activities are desegregated. Actively encourage all employees to participate.

(h) Encourage child care, housing and transportation programs appropriately designed to improve the employment opportunities for minorities and women.

§ 60-2.25 Internal audit and reporting systems.

(a) The contractor should monitor records of referrals, placements, transfers, promotions and terminations at all levels to insure nondiscriminatory policy is carried out.

(b) The contractor should require formal reports from unit managers on a schedule basis as to degree to which corporate or unit goals are attained and timetables met.

(c) The contractor should review report results with all levels of management.

(d) The contractor should advise top management of program effectiveness

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and submit recommendations to improve unsatisfactory performance.

§ 60-2.26 Support of action programs.

(a) The contractor should appoint key members of management to serve on Merit Employment Councils, Community Relations Boards and similar organizations.

(b) The contractor should encourage minority and female employees to participate actively in National Alliance of Businessmen programs for youth motivation.

(c) The contractor should support Vocational Guidance Institutes, Vestibule Training Programs and similar activities.

(d) The contractor should assist secondary schools and colleges in programs designed to enable minority and female graduates of these institutions to compete in the open employment market on a more equitable basis.

(e) The contractor should publicize achievements of minority and female employees in local and minority news media.

(f) The contractor should support

programs developed by such organizations as National Alliance of Businessmen, the Urban Coalition and other organizations concerned with employment opportunities for minorities or women.

Subpart D—Miscellaneous

§ 60-2.30 Use of goals.

The purpose of a contractor's establishment and use of goals is to insure that he meet his affirmative action obligation. It is not intended and should not be used to discriminate against any applicant or employee because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

§ 60-2.31 Preemption.

To the extent that any State or local laws, regulations or ordinances, including those which grant special benefits to persons on account of sex, are in conflict with Executive Order 11246, as amended, or with the requirements of this part, we will regard them as preempted under the Executive order.

§ 60-2.32 Supersedure.

All orders, instructions, regulations,

and memoranda of the Secretary of Labor, other officials of the Department of Labor and contracting agencies are hereby superseded to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith, including a previous "Order No. 4" from this Office dated January 30, 1970. Nothing in this part is intended to amend 41 CFR 60-3 published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on October 2, 1971 or Employee Testing and Other Selection Procedures or 41 CFR 60-20 on Sex Discrimination Guidelines.

Effective date. This part shall become effective on the date of its publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER (12-4-71).

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 1st day of December 1971.

J. D. HODGSON,
Secretary of Labor.

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Position Classification: Manager, Equal Opportunity Programs

General: Equal Opportunity Program Manager shall carry out a vigorous Affirmative Action Program within the Authority and his responsibilities shall include, but not necessarily be limited to:

Duties:

1. Prepare a detailed analysis of all major job classifications in the Authority with explanation if the minorities or women are currently being underutilized in any one or more job classifications.
2. Goals and timetables for affirmative action commitments must be established to correct any identifiable deficiencies.
3. Such goals and timetables with supporting data and the analyses must be compiled and maintained as part of the written affirmative action program.
4. Direct special attention in their analyses and goal setting to specific categories of employees.
5. These programs must contain, among other things:
 - (a) Identification of problem areas (deficiencies) by organizational units and job classification;
 - (b) Establishment of goals and objectives by organizational units and job classification, including timetables for completion;
 - (c) Development and execution of action-oriented programs designed to eliminate problems and further designed to attain established goals and objectives.
6. Recommend necessary steps and provide recommendations to assure that minority and sex discrimination in employment does not exist in the Authority.
7. Develop policy statements, affirmative action programs, internal and external communication techniques.
8. Assist line management in arriving at solutions to problems.
9. Design and implement audit and reporting systems that will: (a) Measure effectiveness of the Authority's programs; (b) Indicate need for remedial action; (c) Determine the degree to which the Authority's goals and objectives have been attained..

Position Classification:

Manager or Asst. Manager, Equal Opportunity Programs

10. Serve as liaison between the Authority and enforcement agencies.
11. Serve as liaison between the Authority and minority organizations, women's organizations and community action groups concerned with employment opportunities or minorities and women.
12. Keep management informed of latest developments in the entire equal opportunity area.
13. Active involvement with local minority organizations, women's organizations, community action groups and community service programs.
14. Periodic audit of training programs, hiring and promotion patterns to remove impediments to the attainment of goals and objectives.
15. Regular discussions with local managers, supervisors and employees to be certain the Authority's policies are being followed.
16. Review of the qualifications of all employees to insure that minorities and women are given full opportunities for transfers and promotions.
17. Career counseling for all employees

